COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

in the watter of.		
Application of Water Service Corporation)	

In the Matter of

in Existing Rates

of Kentucky for a General Adjustment

WATER SERVICE CORPORATION OF KENTUCKY'S

PETITION FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

Case No. 2013-00237

Water Service Corporation of Kentucky ("WSCK") (collectively "Applicants"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, respectfully request the Public Service Commission grant confidential protection to certain information provided in response to Item 11 of the Commission Staff's First Request for Information. In support of its motion, WSCK states as follows:

Administrative Regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, indicates that the Commission shall grant confidential treatment for records that would be exempt from KRS 61.878 of the Kentucky Open Records Act. KRS 61.878(1)(a) protects information of a personal nature from being disclosed by a public agency. The Kentucky Court of Appeals has identified an individual's salary as information of a personal nature. See Zink v. Department of Workers' Claims, Labor Cabinet, 902 S.W.2d 825, 828 (Ky. App. 1994) (stating that "information such as ... wage rate ... [is] generally accepted by society as [a] detail [] in which an individual has at least some expectation of privacy.")

In Item 11 of the Commission Staff's First Request for Information, Staff has requested that WSCK identify its employees' names and their salaries. Because this information is of a

personal nature, it is entitled to confidential treatment under <u>Zink</u> and other relevant law. In fact, the Public Service Commission has made this determination in previous cases. <u>See</u> Letter from Jeff DeRouen, Executive Director of the Public Service Commission, to John N. Hughes, counsel for WSCK (Apr. 24, 2009)(copy attached).

Accordingly, WSCK respectfully requests confidential treatment of information mentioned above.

Respectfully submitted,

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